

HHUSA WORKSHOPS

Hire Heroes USA's Nationwide Wounded Warrior Transition Assistance Workshops

Hire Heroes USA's Wounded Warrior Transition Assistance Workshops (WWTAW) provide comprehensive career transition training at no cost to service members. During the 2-3 day workshops, HHUSA staff and volunteers teach wounded or disabled soldiers how to identify personal goals, formulate job search strategies, create effective resumes, and excel in job interviews. Using a combination of classroom instruction and hands on application, HHUSA staff and volunteers assist service members to produce outstanding resumes that accurately reflect their military accomplishments in relevant business terminology– often the most difficult part of the transition process. Additionally, service members are afforded the opportunity to link up with mentors from the business and veteran community, immediately increasing their networking resources and corporate career knowledge base.

Feedback from workshop participants has been uniformly enthusiastic. HHUSA conducts WWTAWs at least on a quarterly basis at Ft. Gordon, in Augusta, Georgia and monthly at other Wounded Warrior care centers around the Nation, potentially reaching more than 200 wounded or disabled service members in the next calendar year.

Successful WWTAWs were conducted during the past year at Camp Lejeune, NC; Camp Pendleton, CA; Naval Medical Center San Diego; Marine Corps Air-Ground Training Center Twentynine Palms, CA; and Marine Base Hawaii - Kaneohe Bay.



These workshops signal a greater commitment from the US military to ensure its wounded and disabled service members receive the best transition assistance available, leading to reduced veteran unemployment rates and sustainable, family-wage jobs. The problem of unemployed veterans is not going away anytime soon, as the unemployment rate for veterans from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan was at 14.7 percent in March 2010, higher than the national unemployment average.

"We look forward to making an impact in the lives of these men and women. The skills learned in these classes will ultimately help more of our veterans find the work they deserve after their service to our country has ended." said Brian Stann, Executive Director of Hire Heroes USA. Stann implemented this important program in the 4th quarter of FY2009.

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